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0355Z 22 MAR 63

TO : DIRECTOR

EO 12958 3.3(b) 1) > 25 yrs

FROM :

ACTION: OSA (1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14)

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NO NITE ACTION

FLT NBR 44, ACFT NBR 124, 21 MAR 63. INITIAL NIGHT CHECK OF LANDING LIGHT AND PANEL LIGHTING. PILOTS GILLILAND/SCHALK. TAKEOFF 1809L, GROSS WEIGHT 75,600, C.G. 20 PERCENT, FLYING TIME 0/45. LANDING LIGHT FAILED ON INITIAL TAKEOFF. ELEMENT FAILURE BELIEVED DUE TO RIGID MOUNTING. SHOCK MOUNTING IS PLANNED AS POSSIBLE SOLUTION. PROPER ANGLE OF LANDING LIGHT NOT KNOWN DUE TO ABOVE FAILURE. PANEL LIGHTING RHEOSTAT POORLY LOCATED. TOO FAR BACK FOR PILOT TO REACH WHILE IN SUIT. PANEL LIGHTING DIM BUT WITH SPOT LIGHTING WAS VERY ACCEPTABLE. MORE LIGHTING FOR PANEL IS PLANNED. CHUTE SLOW ON DEPLOYING, APPROX 8 TO 10 SECONDS.

END OF MESSAGE

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